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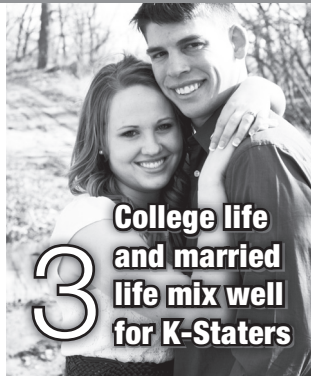
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Shelton Burch
staff writer

Tuesday night, the K-State Relay For Life Committee held their annual Early Bird event to help answer people's questions and facilitate team sign-ups for the upcoming Relay For Life, scheduled for April 25, 2014.

Maggie Stephens, graduate student in community development and event co-chair, said that all participants in the Relay For Life are being encouraged to raise at least \$100. All money will go to the American Cancer Society to help fund cancer research and also provide services to cancer patients and their families around the world.

In addition to providing registration help and answering questions, the kickoff event gave people planning to participate in the Relay For Life the chance to get some instruction and tips on how to fundraise.

Stephens said the kickoff event was held to help give people who are extremely passionate about Relay For Life an early start in fundraising and organizing their teams. Historically, not many people have shown up the Relay's kickoff events, but Stephens said the committee still wanted to have it this year.

"In the past, this event has not been very successful, because let's face it, college students aren't exactly thinking however many months in advance," Stephens said. "But there are a few people, like these great people here, that are really dedicated to the cause, and we didn't want to kind of just dismiss their enthusiasm."

Stephens said the early bird event is held in October because it allows those who are planning ahead to raise more money, which then allows the K-State Relay For Life to give more money back to the American Cancer Society.

Stephens and her sister Molly, who have co-chaired the event for the past two years, said this year's

event was easier for them to coordinate than before. Even so, Stevens said Early Bird takes about a month to plan, which includes time taken to promote the event and get everything going.

Luminaria bags were sold at the kickoff event. Alicia Hampton, junior in agricultural education, explained that these are paper bags that are bought and decorated by participants in honor of someone who has either won or lost the fight against cancer. The bags are sold as fundraisers and count toward the \$100 goals of the teams.

"We light candles, and then we light them all at once, and then we do a walk in memory of those who have been honored," Hampton said. "It's a really emotional part of the night. A lot of people do them in memory of people they know who've passed away, so they're really sentimental to a lot of people."

The bags were sold at the Early Bird event for \$10 to anyone interested. Hampton said this was done because occasionally people do not want to participate but still want to honor someone they know. Teams can also sell the luminarias.

Hampton said the luminarias are a big part of the Relay For Life and carry deeper symbolic meaning for many of those participating.

"It's a symbol of the light that won't go out," Hampton said.

In many Relay For Life events, sand is used to weigh down the luminarias as they line whichever track the Relay For Life is being held at, Hampton said. Last year, though, the K-State Relay For Life decided to do a can drive to help make the Relay For Life cheaper by avoiding the need to purchase sand. This allows the K-State Relay For Life to give more money back to the ACS and also helps K-state give back to the community canned food bank.

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Relay for Life event kickoff fundraises, answers questions



Lauren Kuykendall | Collegian

Jessica Van Ranken, freshman in political science, laughs with Natalie Bender, sophomore in communication sciences and disorders, while selling luminaria bags and helping host the early bird event for Relay for Life. The event aimed to contribute to the fight against all forms of cancer.

Legislative tour creates discussion with Kansas politicians

Lindsay Rhoades
staff writer

President Kirk Shultz, and student body president Eli Schooley presented to Kansas legislators Tuesday morning to address the 2 percent budget cut legislators have imposed for Kansas universities. Several other K-State faculty, including Pat Bosco, vice president of student life; Julia Keen, faculty senate president and Jeff Morris, vice president for communications and marketing, were also in attendance.

The presentation included an introduction to and explanation of K-State 2025, a plan for K-State to be recognized as one of the nation's Top 50 Public Research Universities by the year 2025.

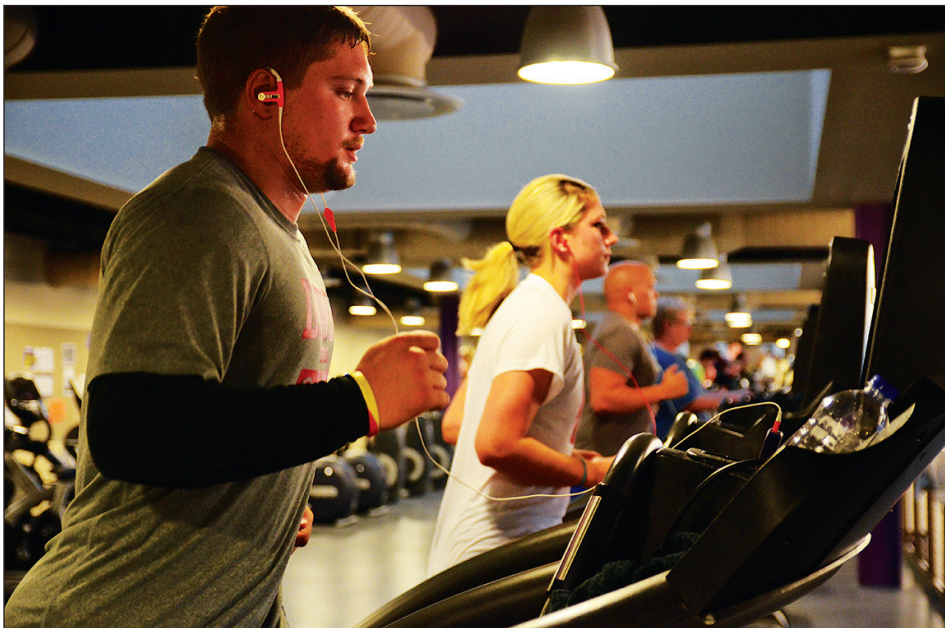
Shultz spoke of the progress that K-State has already achieved in reaching this goal, such as possessing the number one plant pathology program in the country, the newly opened honors house, hiring the first National Academy member of the school and the completed construction of the West Stadium Center.

"The trip to KSU has been very enlightening," said Peggy Mast, speaker of the house pro tempore and Republican representative of the 76th district. "It is exciting to see the research already being done at the Biosecurity Research Institute to train future scientists and ensure our nation's food supply. We also toured the engineering department and learned about the demand of the students in our immediate future."

Mast wasn't the only legislator who said they found the trip to K-State illuminative.

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Active Times ranks K-State nation's 8th fittest university



Parker Robb | Collegian

Logan Eck, junior in animal science, exercises on a treadmill at the Rec Tuesday evening. K-State's expansive recreation complex, which offers students many ways to stay in shape, has contributed to K-State being ranked the eighth most fit college nationally.

Ellie Holcomb
staff writer

A recent Active Times article ranked K-State the eighth fittest college in the U.S., citing our varsity sports success, our recreational complex and the

new Wildcat Wellness Coalition as contributors to students' health and well-being.

Boasting one of the largest college recreation centers in the nation, the K-State campus provides plenty of opportunities for students to stay in

shape.

The Chester E. Peters Recreational Complex, or "the Rec," which is used by an average of 2,500 students each day, contains over 25,000 square feet of cardio equipment, a weight room and weight training

room, 13 basketball courts and a rock climbing wall. The Rec was recently renovated, receiving the additions of a video game area, study and lounge areas, a TRX cross training piece, more weights and a stretching room.

Xavier Capalla, junior in biology and Spanish, said he regularly uses the Rec complex to train and stay in shape. With a torn ACL, Capalla has had to alter his workout routines recently.

"Since I tore my ACL, I've just been doing a lot of calisthenics," Capalla said. "Prior, I would do heavy bag work, go to wrestling practices and lift weights."

Capalla said he appreciates the balanced lifestyle K-State students seem to adopt in regards to health and fitness.

"They spend time making their bodies look great, and I think it's a good reflection of the student body," Capalla said. "So many people being fit and taking time out of their day to do that shows a good balance."

The Wildcat Wellness Coalition, a collaboration of the Rec, Lafene Health Center and Counseling Services, also works to provide information for student development in the areas of health and wellness.

"Our goal is to promote wellness to the entire campus,"

Megan Clark, Wildcat Wellness Coalition representative from the Rec, said. "Specifically we've been targeting students so far."

The Wildcat Wellness Coalition focuses on seven distinct types of wellness: physical, emotional, spiritual, intellectual, environmental, occupational and social.

"We want students and staff to learn what they can do, whether it's altering their diet or working out on their own," Clark said. "It just increases positivity all around."

With events so far this year such as "Love Your Body" night at the Rec and a 5k run at Lafene, the Wildcat Wellness Coalition has also been aiming to support interactions among students.

"There are so many opportunities for people to get out and meet people," Clark said. "The idea of being fit and all the Rec has to offer is definitely tied to that."

Brian Collins, freshman in athletic training, said he has noted that fitness is a pervasive attitude around campus.

"I would say that compared to a lot of the midwest, people are relatively fit," Collins said.

Collins also said he sees the value of healthy lifestyles and the effects they can have in the long term.

Environmental reporter gives audience glimpse of world in 2044

Shelbi Markham
staff writer

Justin Gillis, New York Times reporter, talked about the issue of sustainability Tuesday night in a filled Forum Hall. His lecture, titled "2044: What Will It Really Be Like?" was co-sponsored by KSBN and K-State Times in conjunction with the New York Times in the Classroom program. The lecture is part of a series that connects with this year's common book "Ready Player One" by Ernest Cline, a dystopian novel that offers a unique perspective on the role of climate change in

the future.

"We wanted to have a good variety of offerings to go with the book, and the topic is a good complement to the book," Tara Coleman, associate professor at Hale Library, said.

Prior to Gillis' discussion, students who attended were interested in the intersection of the book with environmental and sustainability issues.

"I'm interested to see what he brings to the sustainability discussion," said Mallory Howard, junior in open option. "It's important to talk about, and it will be interesting to see what kinds of applications to sustainability

he talks about."

The talk featured the book by discussing what may actually be going on in the years that the book takes place, 2044-2045. Gillis, an environmental science writer for the New York Times, said the book got it wrong in one important area. Cline mentions that in the fictional future world of "Ready Player One" that there isn't enough fossil fuel, while Gillis said that in 2044 there will be too much.

Regarding the year 2044 more generally, Gillis discussed several different things that could happen, including the prediction that by 2044 the Arctic

Sea ice caps will be almost gone or completely gone. He talked about how climate change will affect humanity, changing social order and affecting animal populations. Gillis said that while the majority of society may understand that there is a problem, they don't understand the urgency to make a change.

NY Times Lecture

See www.kstatecollegian.com for more on Gillis' lecture, predictions for earth's future.

City looks at budget, projects of Convention groups

Bridget Beran
staff writer

At Tuesday night's city commission meeting, commissioners reviewed the role and reporting structure of the Convention and Tourism Committee, as well as the Convention and Visitors Bureau. Jason Hilgers, deputy city manager, presented some of the suggested changes to the commissioners, while Karen Hibbard, Convention and Visitors Bureau member, presented about the money and work the CVB deals with.

The CVB has approximately \$1.2 million of revenue annually from the transient guest tax, which is a 6 percent tax. Of that \$1.2 million, 33.5 percent comes from shopping in the area.

"We've got over a million dollars here," Commissioner Wynn Butler said. "And is the tax payer getting the correct return on it? I think we can tweak it to get a better return on it."

Of these funds, 63 percent go to marketing purposes. This includes but is not limited to radio, video and print publications advertising the city of Manhattan. The Manhattan Visitor's Guide, an award-winning publication, is produced by the

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Today's Cryptoquip Clue: R equals P

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ARREST REPORTS

Monday, Oct. 28

Kyle William Andrews, of the 1400 block of Hillcrest Drive, was booked for failure to appear and misdemeanor obstruction of the legal process. Bond was set at \$1,750.

Dominique Oliver Knox, of the 2000 block of Anderson Avenue, was booked for misdemeanor theft, forgery, felony

theft of lost or mislaid property and two counts of criminal use of a financial card. Bond was set at \$5,000.

Currin Morgan Ayer, of Cody Place, was booked for failure to appear. Bond was set at \$2,500.

Zachery Ryan Burch, of Ogden, was booked for proba-

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Doctoral defenses and dissertations

The Graduate School announces the final doctoral dissertation of Pedram Shahnnani, titled, "A Single-Phase Multi-Level D-Statcom Inverter Using Modular Multi-Level Converter (MMC) Topology for Renewable Energy Sources." It will be held Thursday at 2:30 p.m. in 1094 Fiedler Hall.

The Graduate School announces the final doctoral dissertation of Van Hutchison, titled, "Greater Kansas City and the Urban Crisis, 1830-1968." It will be held Nov. 8 at 1 p.m. in 201 Eisenhower Hall.

The Graduate School announces the final doctoral dissertation of Christopher Miller, titled, "Biochemical Studies of Cereal Prolamins from Sorghum and Wheat." It will be held Nov. 6 at 9:30 a.m. in AK036 Cancer Center.

The Graduate School announces the final doctoral dissertation of Marlyn Pierce, titled, "Earning Their Wings: Accidents and Fatalities in the United States Army Air Forces During Flight Training in World War Two." It will be held Nov. 12 at 2:30 p.m. in 203 K-State Student Union.

The Graduate School announces the final doctoral dissertation of Gary Ratchliffe, titled, "Redefining Commitment and Attractive Alternatives: Re-Examining the Investment Model." It will be held Nov. 15 at 12 p.m. in 247 Leadership Studies Building.

tion violation. Bond was set at \$5,000.

Cristina Perez, of the 700 block of Crestwood Drive, was booked for domestic battery and criminal damage to property. Bond was set at \$2,000.

Rachel Rene McClatchy, of the 3300 block of Anderson Avenue, was booked for violation of protection orders and criminal trespassing. No bond was listed.

Michelle Danielle Wolfe, of the 2200 block of College Avenue, was booked for domestic battery, criminal damage to

property and witness or victim intimidation. Bond was set at \$3,000.

Lee Anthony Wallingford, of Fort Riley, was booked for felony theft. Bond was set at \$2,500.

Damian James Nicholson, of Fort Riley, was booked for felony theft. Bond was set at \$2,500.

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PROFILE

DANIEL WOOD

Ethan Blouin
staff writer

Senior golfer Daniel Wood's career at K-State has been anything but normal. Following his sophomore year, Wood took two years off from competition to take a church trip to the Dominican Republic.

Wood said that those two years gave him perspective on how people around the world live their lives.

"It was definitely eye opening, seeing how people live down there," Wood said. "It really made me appreciate golf and our way of life so much more."

What's even more impressive about Wood, though, is the fact that despite taking two years off from golfing, he returned to the team without skipping a beat.

"His game came back pretty fast considering the two year break," K-State head coach Tim Norris said. "Some of the finer points of the game like strategy and club selection took a little more time to come back to where they were when he left."

Norris also said that Daniel appreciates everyday off-the-course luxuries like Internet and cell phones much more now.

During his freshman year, Wood maintained a 74.95 stroke average. Since then, he has shaved almost a stroke and a half off of that, tallying a stroke average of 73.47 last year. Norris said he thinks this is a direct result of Daniel's work during and outside of practice.

"I would say no one part of Daniel's game has been neglected," Norris said. "He has done a very good job of focusing on some areas but staying current with the other parts. He is a very hard worker who puts in quite a bit of time outside of just our normal practice times."

Because of his work ethic and upbeat attitude, Wood was named a captain for this year, along with fellow senior David Klaudt and junior Kyle Weldon. Wood said their main goal as captains is to keep the younger guys focused and confident.

"We have a lot of young guys who are really talented," Wood said. "We just want to make sure they can stay confident so they become the best golfer they can be."

Norris said he believes that Wood has embraced his leadership role as a captain and thinks he approaches the role less

vocally than others.

"Daniel is a quiet leader," Norris said. "Not a vocal 'rah rah' guy, but is especially good at encouraging everyone on the team. He is very good at showing the new players around and guiding them through their first year on the team."

Daniel said knowing it's his senior year doesn't make him want to do anything spectacular individually. Instead, he said he wants to help the team in any way he can.

"Just to contribute to the team in the best way I can, and guide the team the best way I can," Wood said.

Just because he doesn't have any lofty goals set for himself doesn't mean he doesn't expect a lot out of the team as a whole. The team is very excited to try and end the postseason drought that they're in the middle of.

"This is a veteran team that is motivated to play well," Wood said. "We should be ready for anything thrown at us. As a team, we have a couple of goals. Some little, some small. For starters, we just want to improve every day. But we definitely want to make the postseason and end the drought."

Wood said he hopes the team can make the national championship, which is at his favorite course, Prairie Dunes, in Hutchinson. But they want to take it step by step.

Wood said he thinks the team is off to a nice start with three top-10 finishes so far. However, he is off to a good start this year, too, as he has carded fifth and 10th place finishes in 2013. The Wildcats golf team will participate in one more tournament this semester before returning to the course in February.

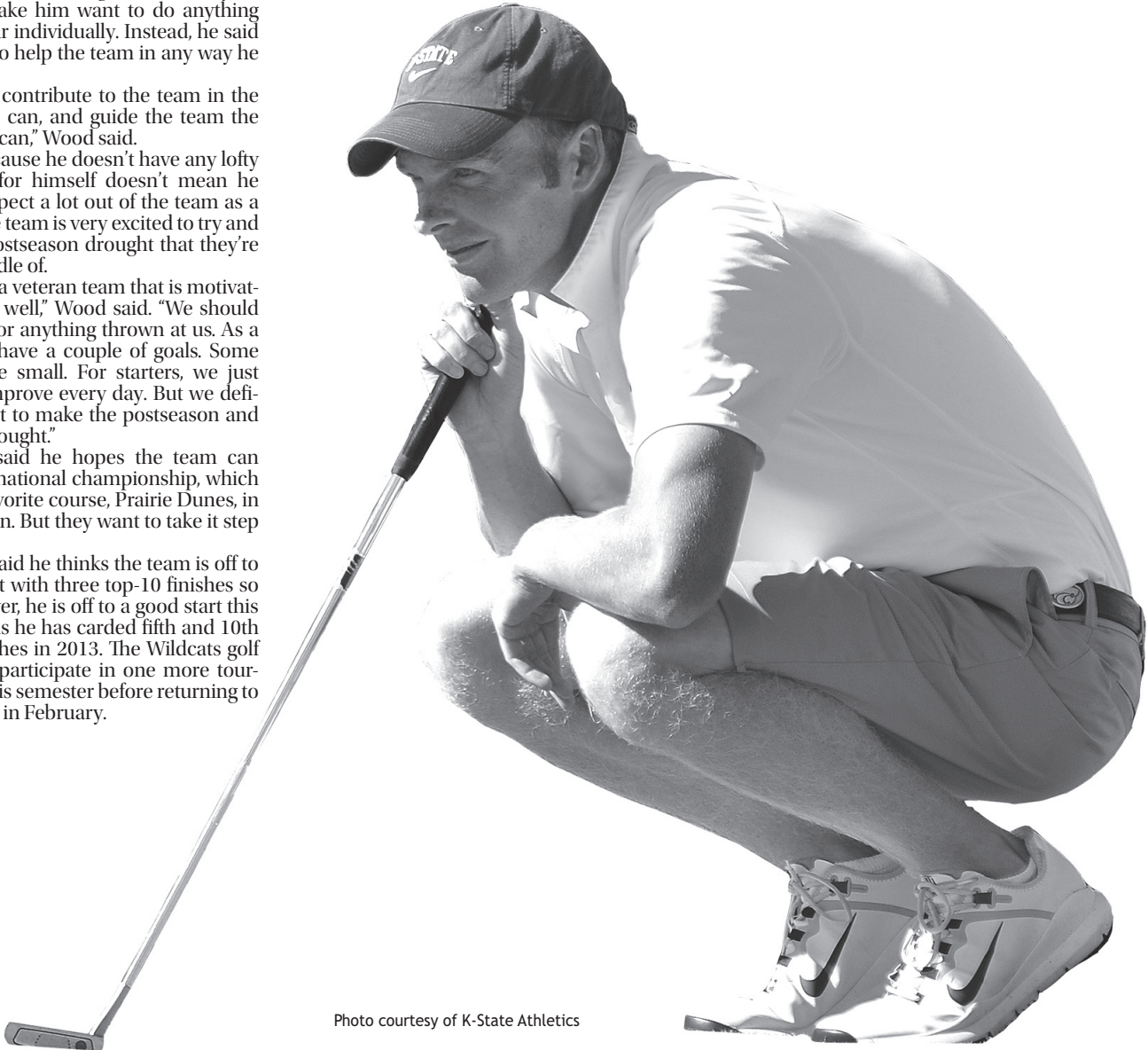


Photo courtesy of K-State Athletics

Bill Snyder addresses team's preparations for Iowa State game on Saturday

John Zetmeir
assistant sports editor

The K-State Wildcats are coming off of their first Big 12 Conference win of the season. It had been roughly six weeks since the Wildcats tasted a victory, but now they have some momentum to build off of.

"I would say that we are working hard, and the improvement has shown week to week," junior center BJ Finney said. "I wouldn't so much say it's finding your groove. We are still making a lot of mistakes that we can correct, and we can always perform better."

K-State will take on Iowa State this weekend as they con-

clude their three game home stand. No matter the rankings of the two teams, it has always been a competitive matchup when the Wildcats take on the Cyclones.

"[Iowa State's] program is a lot like ours," Finney said. "Blue collar, tough nosed, physical football players. When you match two teams up like that, it's always a good game. Whoever makes the least amount of mistakes and executes better is going to win that game."

When K-State first experimented with the two quarterback system, junior quarterback Jake Waters was often asked to come in on third down and make a play. Earlier on in

the season, Waters struggled coming in cold. Against West Virginia, it was a difficult story.

"I think like any young person at any position, if you do not stay in the game no matter where you are situated, whether it's on the sidelines or whether you are on the field, or whether you are sitting up in the stands and somebody calls you down—if you do not stay in the game, then when you get in there, it is a different experience," head coach Bill Snyder said. "If you stay in it, play the game snap after snap no matter where you are located, then you have a much better chance to have some success when you step on the

field. I think that for him and Daniel [Sams] both, it is when they are not in that they really play every snap even from the sidelines. If they do that, then it is almost like taking an on the field rep."

K-State's defense has faced some tough tests through the early part of this season. Their youth and inexperience has showed at times, but they have always put the offense in positions to win the game late. Snyder said he has noticed that the defense has improved, especially in the toughness that they have shown.

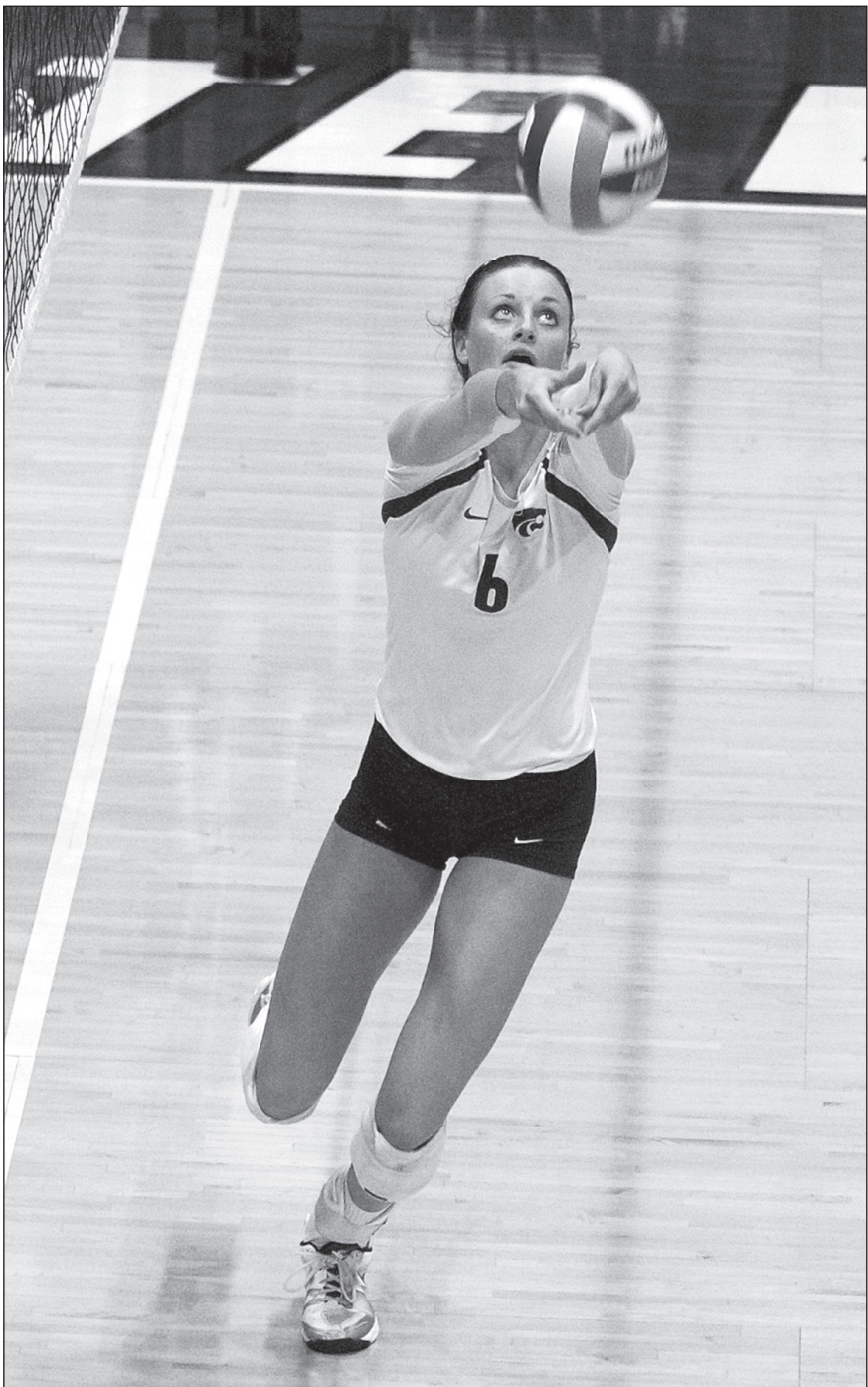
"I think we have made strides," Snyder said. "I think the degree of toughness with

which they play has been enhanced, not over just the last game and a half, but over the course of the season, I think it has gradually moved in that direction. I think we still have the discipline, and when I say discipline, I mean the self discipline of doing what you are assigned to do the right way every time."

Iowa State finds themselves in a similar situation to what K-State faced last weekend as they search for their first conference win. The Wildcats have been ranked in the top-10 nationally the last two times they have played the Cyclones. Despite the lopsided difference in rankings, Iowa State has kept the contest close. A big reason

for that is the culture that head coach Paul Rhoads brings to the program, and Snyder was quick to compliment the work of Rhoads.

"I do not know how much Paul [Rhoads] and I are alike," Snyder said. "I think he is a better football coach than I am. He is an awful good person that works extremely hard. I think the similarities are somewhat like that. Their players are accustomed to a demanding program. They work extremely hard and they play hard. Our ballgames have been close for the last four years, and we have been fortunate to win each one, but we won by one, by six and by seven twice."



K-State Wildcats set to take on Oklahoma Sooners tonight at Ahearn Field House

David Embers
staff writer

After a home loss on Saturday to the No. 1 ranked Texas Longhorns, the K-State volleyball team needed some time to regroup. After a three-day break, the Wildcats are back in action, this time against the No. 25 team in the NCAA.

The Oklahoma Sooners roll into Manhattan today with a record of 18-4 (6-2 in the Big 12), and have shown they are one of the top teams in the conference this season. The Wildcats fell to 14-7 on the year after Saturday's loss (2-6 in the Big 12) and have lost four of their last five conference games. With only eight games remaining, and two of those matches being road battles against Texas and KU, K-State needs to capitalize on every opportunity they have, especially when playing at Ahearn Field House. The Sooners beat the Wildcats earlier in the season 3-1 in Norman, Okla., and have since rattled off three straight wins.

Santiago Restrepo is entering his 10th season as the head coach for the Sooners and currently holds a career record of 165-117. Oklahoma has earned an NCAA tournament bid in each of the last four seasons and has finished with over 20 wins in three of those years. Before Restrepo's arrival, Oklahoma had won 27 matches in the previous four years. At Restrepo's disposal is a deep roster, balanced in every class. He has four seniors

who see a lot of playing time and are integral parts of the team's success.

Senior middle blocker Sallie McLaurin leads the Sooners with 3.78 kills per set. She also adds 1.31 blocks per set. McLaurin is fresh off of winning the Big 12 Offensive Player of the Week award and currently leads the conference in blocks per set. She is also second in hitting percentage with .452, and kills with 306. Sophomore setter Julia Doyle generally assists her. Doyle is currently averaging a little over nine assists per set and has started every match for the Sooners.

Defensively, Oklahoma holds their opponents to a hitting percentage of .180. That translates to 2.55 blocks per set and 16.62 digs per set. Through 22 games, the Sooners have three players with over 200 digs, including sophomore defensive specialist Taylor Migliazzo who has 316. Migliazzo averages nearly four digs per set and helps anchor a stingy back line.

The Wildcats continue with the theme of dominant defense and balanced offense. While this hasn't been picture perfect thus far this season, the mentality is evident whenever K-State gets on a roll. Currently, the Wildcats hold their opponents to a hitting percentage of .178. However, the offense has failed to hold up its end of the deal, hitting with a kill percentage of only .189. This number has continued to plummet as the Wildcats have entered conference play.

Over the last three matches, senior outside hitter Dakota Kaufman is averaging 2.9 kills per set. She has also seen a spike in her kill percentage, which is up to .281 from her previous average of .137. This is likely due the offensive shift that saw Kaufman move to the right side. Head coach Suzie Fritz made the adjustment before the Texas Tech game with the hope of sparking both her senior hitter and her offense. It worked initially, but the Wildcats have been unable to find the groove since.

One bright spot has been the play of redshirt freshman setter Katie Brand. Through eight conference matches, Brand is third in the Big 12 in assists per set with 10.14. She currently has 787 total assists, which is good for fourth all-time for a freshman in K-State history.

With such a tough string of losses, K-State again saw a fall in the RPI rankings, this time to 54. The Wildcats are losing momentum and are moving farther and farther away from the possibility of earning an NCAA tournament bid. With numerous road games left on their schedule, an upset of No. 25 Oklahoma at Ahearn Field House would be a huge resume booster and would certainly give the team the needed momentum to make a charge at a post season bid. The first serve will take place at 7 p.m. at Ahearn. The crowds have been great so far this season and will hopefully continue to support the Wildcats as they work at righting the ship.

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Redshirt freshman setter **Katie Brand** bumps the ball during the match K-State played against the Texas Longhorns in Ahearn Field House last Saturday.

Study lists 4 majors with highest post-grad unemployment rates

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A study was recently conducted by Georgetown University to see which majors have the highest rates of unemployment for graduates coming out of college. The leading majors for unemployment are information systems at 14.7 percent, architecture at 12.8 percent, anthropology at 12.6 percent and political science at 11.1 percent. All four listed majors are degrees K-State students can obtain. Many students are entering into these majors or are about to graduate with one of these degrees. "The high unemployment rates make me very nervous," Ciara Chambers, sophomore in political science, said. "I honestly thought about changing my major a lot last year, and even

into this year, to accommodate for it, but I really like my major. I know that I need to work that much harder to find a good position within political science, and I am going to have to get involved with everything possible." Hearing these statistics has even turned some prospective students away from going into particular majors. Andrea Hopkins, sophomore in industrial engineering, considered taking economics as a minor, but said she is having second guesses about picking it up because of all the necessary extra work with possibly little reward. "I really thought about getting a minor in economics, but honestly my workload is a lot as is," Hopkins said. "With such high unemployment within [economics], I do not know if it

would really help out my resume that much." These statistics may look high compared to other majors. However, it is worth noting that college graduates of most majors are having a more difficult time finding jobs within their fields. According to research done by the Center for College Affordability and Productivity in January, more than a third of graduates are working jobs that do not require a degree. "Students should understand that their job search may take a little longer, but the payoff may be interesting career opportunities in the future," Jeffrey Pickering, department head of political science, said. "They should also find comfort in the fact that in an age where the average American worker changes jobs 11 times during their career, they will have

gained a broad skill set which should open up a range of different career opportunities." Many incoming students may look at these numbers and think that they need to switch their major for more post-college job security. However, Stacy Smith, graduate student and instructor in sociology, said she would never discourage a student from going into a field they truly love. "I would encourage students to be realistic about the market," Smith said. "Be realistic about the opportunities out there. If this is something that you are passionate about, then you can probably find a way to make it work. I would never encourage a student toward a degree that does not interest them." It is also essential to remember that these major categories are broad and could cover

a range of different positions within a field which might not strictly qualify as jobs within that major in the way the study measures them. "Political science is a major that allows students to follow a number of different career paths—in government, education, law and the private sector," Pickering said. "This simply means that the initial job search may take slightly longer for our majors than some professional or specialized degrees." The skills one learns in college need to be in demand, as well. Students looking to go into a field that is not in high demand should expect a difficult job search in this economy. "If you want to be employable upon graduation, you have to learn tactical skills that are needed by companies that are

growing," Michael Staton, partner at Learn Capital, said. Learn Capital is a venture capital firm focused on funding entrepreneurs with a vision for better and smarter learning. Smith said students coming into the current, deflated job market should make sure they are competitive. "Do every scrap of work, talk to every professor, take every opportunity and do your very best work," Smith said. "It's rough out there in the job market, and those who are motivated are going to do better. Find something that motivates you, and then be curious about it. When you are looking for a job, you need to make yourself memorable. Having something that you are passionate about, curious about—that just might be the thing that gets you hired."

TOUR| Legislators presented with information on student debt, K-State 2025

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"K-State offers students many exciting and unique opportunities," Ty Masterson, Republican senator and chairman of Ways and Means, said. "I was particularly impressed with the globally significant research on plant and animal health and new patents being generated, as well as the inno-

vative revitalizing architecture projects in small communities and Eureka and Cuba. I believe they gained understanding of our need to be better stewards of the Kansas taxpayer dollars and the need to find a higher education funding model that incentivizes student success." Student attendees of the presentation said they thought the focus on K-State 2025 was

very important for the legislators to hear and understand. "I found the presentation very interesting," Lesley Sawyer, senior in history, said. "There were hard hitting questions asked, and the answers were focused and informative. I think this really opens doors for communication between the legislators and the college." Student graduation and debt

statistics were also addressed at the presentation, with 92 percent of students being employed within six months of earning their diploma and graduating with an average student debt of \$24,900 during the most recent four year period. Legislators then had the opportunity to discuss concerns pertaining to success of student graduates, tuition increases

and the rise in graduate debt, as well as ask questions regarding what K-State is doing to provide the best education and service to its students. "One of the valuable things about this tour was that it opened up communication between legislators and the academic community," Sydney Carlin, Democratic representative of the 66th district, said.

"We met with students, deans, professors, community members, and business people and we saw how they interact to create the academic community that educates Kansans at many levels." The legislators are touring all Kansas' state universities this week as well as Washburn Institute of Technology and Fort Scott Community College.

CITY| CVB considers new structure

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in Manhattan," a quick video clip located on the CVB website. Hibbard showed video testimonies on the benefits of CVB. At the conclusion of the meeting several business owners spoke on behalf of CVB and the good they have done for their businesses and the Manhattan community as a whole. "Our CVB, right here in Manhattan, is one of the best run in the entire state," Hilgers said. In the last year, CVB helped bring 43 first time groups for meetings into Manhattan. Not including K-State sports and other activities that are not associated with the CVB, there were 174 groups in Manhattan over the past year. Notably, the National Festival of Breads moved from Wichita to Manhattan after working with the CVB this year. Also up for discussion was the manner in which the CVB is run. Currently, there is

a steering committee of 11 members—six hoteliers, four from hospitality and one chairman, which help to direct the actions of the CVB. However, no technical restrictions are in place, nor are there any existing term limits. The only limitations currently are that the Chamber approves the budget and program of work at the end of each year. It was suggested that the commission consider implementing an advisory board that included four hoteliers, four from hospitality, one business person and one official in place of the steering committee. It was also suggested that these positions run on a rotating three-year term cycle. After much debate, it was decided that more information was needed to make a knowledgeable decision and the commission asked the CVB and CTC staff come up with alternatives to the current system and present their ideas and findings at a later date.

RELAY| Event aims to keep increasing

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Miranda Burns, junior in entrepreneurship, said she's always had a passion for philanthropic events. She got involved with the Relay For Life because her roommate her freshman year was part of the committee, and said that once she got involved, she loved it. "One of my favorite parts is the luminaria ceremony, just because it gives you an emotional connection to those who didn't survive cancer," Burns said. "It gives you a chance to honor those who didn't survive." In her years co-chairing the Relay for Life at K-State, Stephens said she has seen the

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amount of money raised by the K-State Relay For Life rise over time. "I think the first year that I did it, we raised like \$30,000," Stephens said. "And that's increased by about five [thousand dollars] each year that I've done it." Stephens said her sister Molly has helped the Relay For Life on campus become increasingly more prominent while she's seen it grow into something people actually look forward to each year. "I think that last year I saw a huge increase, not just in participation, but in interaction with the organization on campus," Stephens said. "We kind of hope that legacy will continue."

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After being raped for a second time in college by a masked gunman in my home, the police coddled me. They told me I was brave and heroic for retelling my encounter in such detail. It's needless to say; society's response to each attack directly affected my emotional recovery. I think it's important to note that while I had an overwhelming amount of support from both my parents and boyfriend, it was through the KSU Women's Center and fellow victims that I gained the courage and strength to live beyond the confinements of my fears.

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